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**RECOMMENDATION OF CHIEF ENGINEER FOR FUTURE USE WATER PERMIT  
NO. 1442-2 West River Water Development District**

Pursuant to SDCL 46-2A-2, the following is the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, Water Rights Program, Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources concerning Future Use Water Permit No. 1442-2, West River Water Development District, Jake Fitzgerald, Manager, PO Box 407, Murdo SD 57559.

The Chief Engineer is recommending that Future Use Permit No. 1442-2 REMAIN in EFFECT for 5,515 acre-feet annually because 1) there is reasonable probability that there may be development of the water reserved under Permit No. 1442-2, 2) the district has demonstrated a reasonable need for the water reserved by Permit No. 1442-2, 3) the proposed use will be a beneficial use and 4) it is in the public interest.

Maintaining the effectiveness of Future Use Permit No. 1442-2 is subject to payment of the \$ 515.00 fee pursuant to SDCL 46-2-13(2) within 60 days of notice to the district after the Board hearing.

Eric Gronlund, Chief Engineer  
May 23, 2023